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In re Application of: Bradley ) Group Art Unit 3673  
Serial No.: 09/612,810 ) Examiner R. Addie  
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Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DEPLOYING GEOTEXTILE TUBES

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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT A

Applicant hereby responds to the Office Action dated September 18, 2001.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 7, 9, 10, 12 and 36.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. **(Amended)** A system for maintaining fill material solids in position to form a barrier or dam, the system comprising:
  - (a) a first elongated sheet of geotextile material **[capable of coiling to form a helical structure];**
  - (b) a means for seaming the first elongated sheet into a first continuous tubular-shaped container having an inside space; **[and]**
  - (c) at least two ballast tubes disposed within said inside space of the container; and**

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